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Attorney Docket No.: SAM-0421  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Kang-soo Chu, *et al.*  
Serial No.: 10/612,028  
Filing Date: July 2, 2003  
Title: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING AN ETCH STOPPER FORMED OF  
A SiN LAYER BY LOW TEMPERATURE ALD AND METHOD OF  
FABRICATING THE SAME

Examiner: Pham, L.  
Group Art Unit: 2814

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application please find the following listed items:

1. Amendment Transmittal;
2. Amendment A in response to Office Action mailed on April 6, 2004; and
3. Return Postcard.

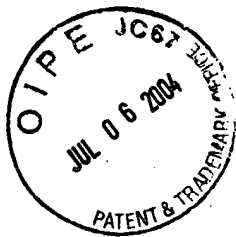
In connection with the foregoing matter, please charge any additional fees which may be due, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-1798. A duplicate copy of this letter is provided for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

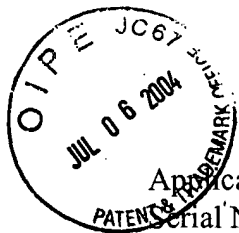
2. Applicant is

- ☐ a small entity.  
☒ other than small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply.

- (a) ☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136



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Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$110.00	\$55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$420.00	\$210.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$950.00	\$475.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,480.00	\$740.00

Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

☐ An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ \_\_\_\_\_

OR

- (b) ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

#### FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 CFR 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(1)		(2)	(3)		
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	10	minus	20	0	x \$18	\$0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1	minus	3	0	x \$86	\$0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM ADDED	No				\$290	
				TOTAL		\$0
If applicant has small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27, then divide total fee by 2 and enter amount here.				SMALL ENTITY TOTAL		

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(c) ☒ No additional fee for claims is required.

OR

(d) ☐ Total additional fee for claims required \$ \_\_\_\_\_


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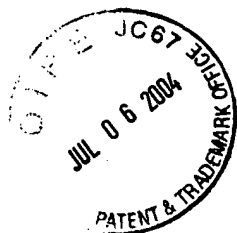
5. ☐ Attached is a check in the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Charge Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.  
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AMENDMENT A

Sir:

The following is in response to the Office Action dated April 6, 2004, and is filed within the shortened statutory period of three months. Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.